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DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT.

Constitutes a Committee for remodelling the Government Weaving Factory.

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Correspondence ending with un-official note No. D2 313—29-30, dated 30th December 1930 of the Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore, on the reorganisation of the Government Weaving Factory.

ORDER NO. D 9237-47—I. & C. 112-29-19, DATED 30TH MARCH 1931.

The Government Weaving Factory was started in 1912 with the object of improving the handloom industry in the State. The educational and experimental sides of the Factory received fairly adequate attention until 1920. In that year Government directed that the work of the Factory should be administered on commercial lines. Attention was thus concentrated on improving production, the question of introducing new designs and improved appliances and the training of students in the technique of weaving taking a subordinate place. An examination of the financial results of the working of the Factory during the past some years has disclosed the fact that it has not been able to show any profits so far.

Government consider that the time has arrived when the working of the Factory has to be placed on an entirely different footing in view of the fact that Handloom Weaving provides occupation to a very large number of people in the State and that its development is an urgent problem and all feasible measures have to be taken to strengthen and expand it. They consider that it is not desirable that the Factory should be run on commercial lines but that it should devote attention, in an increasing measure to train people and to the supply of improved designs and appliances for the benefit of the weaver classes. Government therefore think that it would be more beneficial if the Factory were to be converted into a Training Institute.